

As you like it
V iii 18

It was a lover and his lass

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The musical score consists of four staves, each representing a different voice: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The vocal parts are arranged in a four-part setting, with the soprano and alto parts being higher than the tenor and bass parts.

The lyrics are as follows:

1. It was a lover and his lass, with a hey and a ho and a
2. And there-fore take the pre - sent time,

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hey no - ni - no, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no,
hey no - ni - no, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no, that for
hey no - ni - no, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no, that for
ho and a hey no - ni - no, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no, that for

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that for o'er the green corn - field did pass, in spring time, in spring time, in
love is crown - ed with the prime,

o'er the green corn - field, the green corn - field did pass, in spring time, in spring
love is crown - ed, love is crown - ed with the prime,

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spring time, the on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do sing Hey
time, the on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do
time, the on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do sing
time, the on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do

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ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet
sing Hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet
Hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet
sing Hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet

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lo - vers love the spring in spring time, in spring time, the
lo-vers love the spring, sweet lo - vers love the spring, spring time, the
lo - vers love the spring, sweet lo - vers love the spring, spring time, the
lo - vers love the spring, sweet lo - vers love the spring, spring time, the

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on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do sing Hey ding a ding a ding, hey
on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do sing Hey ding a
on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do sing Hey ding a ding a ding,
on - ly pret - ty ring time, when birds do sing Hey ding a ding a ding a

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ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet lo - vers love the spring.
ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet lo - vers love the spring.
hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, sweet lo - vers love the spring.
ding, hey ding a ding, a ding, sweet lo - vers love the spring.